



STATE OF UTAH  
NATURAL RESOURCES  
Water Rights

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Steve Wilkinson  
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Dear Mr. Wilkinson:

During the recent Water Users Meeting, a question arose concerning irrigators calling for water before May 15 and how that affects Hoop Lake storage, Interstate Irrigation and Reservoir Company can divert water beginning April 1, while all other irrigators cannot divert until May 15.

If there is insufficient flow in Burnt Fork to satisfy the Interstate Canal needs (rights), then the Hoop Lake diversion out of Thompson Creek would have to be closed. This is because of an apparent discrepancy in the Proposed Determination regarding the period of use for irrigation. Apparently the period of use for irrigation begins on May 15 for all irrigation claims in the Proposed Determination of Water Rights in Green River except Claims 41-1366 and 41-2496 owned by Interstate Irrigation and Reservoir Company. The period of use for irrigation begins on April 1 for Claims 41-1366 and 41-2496.

There is a possibility that this apparent discrepancy could be resolved by petitioning the court.

Sincerely,

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